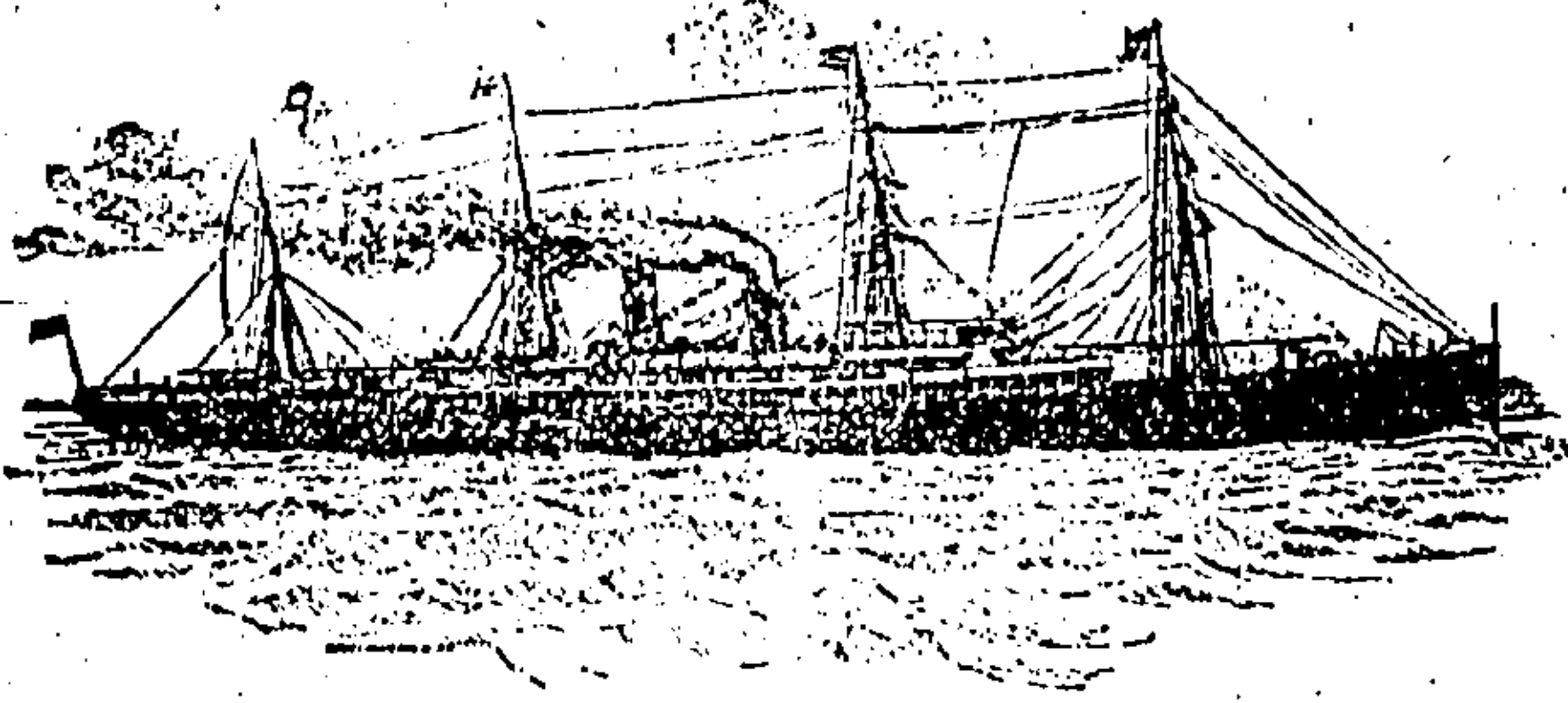


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"EMPRESS OF CHINA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 13th January, 1904.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 27th January.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
"TARTAR"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, 24th February.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 9th March.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 30th March.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 20th April.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
"TARTAR"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1903.

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Hongkong, 25th September, 1903.

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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900.

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CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of the Undersigned at 12 o'clock (NOON), on THURSDAY, the 22nd October, 1903, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Account for the year 1902 and for the Half year ending 30th June, 1903, and of declaring Dividends, &c.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents,
Canton Insurance Office,
Limited.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1903. 1173e

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

NOTICE is hereby given that AN EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 1st day of October, 1903, at NOON, when the SUBJOINED RESOLUTIONS will be proposed, viz:—

1. "That the Capital of the Company be increased from \$1,000,000 (divided into 100,000 shares of \$10 each) to \$1,500,000 (divided into 150,000 shares of \$10 each) by the creation of 50,000 new shares of \$10 each to be offered and if accepted to be allotted to the present shareholders of the Company at par in the ratio and proportion of one new share for every two old shares in the Company held by the amount payable on each of such new shares respectively to be paid at such time or times and in such manner as the Company by its General Managers may hereafter determine."

2. "That Article No. 82 of the Articles of Association of the Company be cancelled and the following Article substituted therefor:—
"The remuneration of the General Managers shall be \$4,000 per annum (which shall cover office rent but not salaries of Secretary and other employees) and a commission of 5 per cent. of the net profits of the Company for each year that such profits amount to 7 per cent. of the Capital of the Company."

Should the above Resolutions be duly passed they will be submitted for confirmation as SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS to a SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING which will be subsequently convened. Dated this 24th day of July, 1903.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

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UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, No. 1, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 8th October, 1903, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Account for the year 1902 and for the Half year ending 30th June, 1903, and of declaring Dividends, &c.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 28th September to the 8th October, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. J. SAUNDERS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th September, 1903. 1127e

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received by the Undersigned at their place of business in Hongkong until NOON, October 10th, 1903, for the FURNISHING of MATERIALS and the CONSTRUCTION of a PASSENGER DEPOT for the Imperial Chinese Railway Administration, Canton-Hankow Railway, at Fat Shan.

Each Bidder will be required to deposit a Certified Check for 10% of the Amount of Bid. Plans and Specifications can be seen at the Office of the Undersigned.

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Hongkong, 1st October, 1903. 1204e

THE NEW HEBRIDES.

SHOULD THE ISLANDS BE DIVIDED?

The New Hebrides question—whether the islands shall be wholly British or French, or whether they shall be divided between the two Powers—is just now exciting a deal of interest. Last month it was discussed at length by both English and French newspapers. It was pointed out that the recent visit of King Edward to Paris and the return visit of President Loubet to London had greatly helped to cement the friendship of the two countries, making the time favourable for the settlement of all international differences. At such a moment, it was said, there should be no difficulty in determining the New Hebrides question, which is daily becoming more intensified, and if allowed to remain longer in abeyance may lead to serious trouble.

There seems, however, great difference of opinion, even amongst French politicians, as to how the rival claims should be settled. Until quite recently the French were pretty unanimous that the only satisfactory arrangement was to annex the whole of the islands forming the New Hebrides Archipelago to France and to proclaim them French territory. On the other hand the Australian view, only feebly supported, it is feared by the home authorities, was to make the islands British. Within the past few weeks it has been proposed that the islands should be divided—one-half to be British the other half French. It is this idea which was last month discussed by the French and English newspapers.

M. E. Etienne, vice-president of the Chamber of Deputies and President of the Parliamentary colonial party, has written an article in the London *National Review*, which the Paris daily newspaper, *La Politique Coloniale*, has criticised in severe terms. M. Etienne maintains that France has a right to the New Hebrides, on the grounds of the geographical situation of the islands, that she was the first to make them of any value, the preponderance of the French element, both in numbers and activity, in ownership of the land, both cultivated and unused, etc. He concludes by suggesting the possibility of a division of the islands between France and Australia, the latter taking the northern islands and France those on the south, being nearer to New Caledonia.

La Politique Coloniale refuses to accept this suggestion as a solution of the difficulty, characterising it as mere trickery; and its opinions are apparently supported by a portion of the colonial party in the French Parliament. *La Courrier Australien*, claiming to voice the opinion of French residents in the Archipelago, New Caledonia, and the Commonwealth, strongly repudiates the idea of a division of the islands. Admitting that the good understanding now prevailing between France and England makes the time opportune for mutual concessions, it urges that the New Hebrides are not the place for the exercise of such a policy.

"The question," it goes on, "though small and mean if considered intrinsically—that is, in regard to the resources, commerce, national benefits, and general influence of the Archipelago—is for us one of the first importance. It is such a double point of view, that of the security of our possession of New Caledonia and that of our dignity; for it cannot be disputed, and never has been tried to be disputed, that the New Hebrides are a natural dependency of New Caledonia, in the same way as Tasmania is a natural dependency of Australia. "Those who would expel the French from the Pacific as they would Germans, Americans, and all others are quite logical in insisting upon the annexation of the New Hebrides by the British Empire. But even they would regard us as foolish if we accepted such a view of the question. England interests herself but little about it. When one owns Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, the Fiji Islands, the better half of New Guinea, when one has a dominant influence in Tonga, a firm footing at Samoa, when one has annexed all the small islands scattered throughout the immensity of the Pacific, one has no need of New Caledonia, and consequently finds no interest in the New Hebrides.

"Placed in a very different situation, we are obliged to feel differently. Our possessions in the Pacific are trifling, and as everything has been secured, we can have no hope of extending them. Hence it clearly follows that we cannot and will not concede the New Hebrides. To do so would compromise what little we have. A division of the islands would be not only inconvenient, but a danger to us. Not only, as *La Politique Coloniale* remarks, would it give to our competitors the best ports of the Archipelago, but it would bring the two flags much too near each other. If we deem it undesirable to have British establishments 150 miles from a French possession in the Pacific, it cannot be considered wise to have them only 25 or 30 miles. Further, in the northern islands, which M. Etienne seems almost willing to cede to Australia, we own more than three-quarters of the land belonging to whites. Is it possible to imagine a French colony governed by a foreign Power?

"It is not our fault—at least, it is not in an unfriendly spirit—if the French have given, in an isolated point at the end of the world, a lesson in colonisation to a race remarkable for colonising. We have never exercised authority over the New Hebrides. Hence we have never excluded anyone. It is evident that Australia, with its vast resources, with its population of several million inhabitants, in presence of our little New Caledonia, paralysed and weakened by transportation, would have colonised the New Hebrides had she been capable of doing so. She has not done it. The Federal Government, without perceiving it, has been called upon to furnish the proof. Had the Australians shown the will or the aptitude needed the New Hebrides plantations would long since have belonged to them. The fact that it was necessary to resort to subsidies to encourage artificial colonisation proves that Australian colonisation of the archipelago is not in the natural order of things. The attempt has not succeeded, and will not succeed."

Quintaine Coloniale, of July 10, has also an article on the same subject, and takes a similar view. It further points out that French interests are greater in the northern islands, which would be a strong objection to the proposed division.

Auction.

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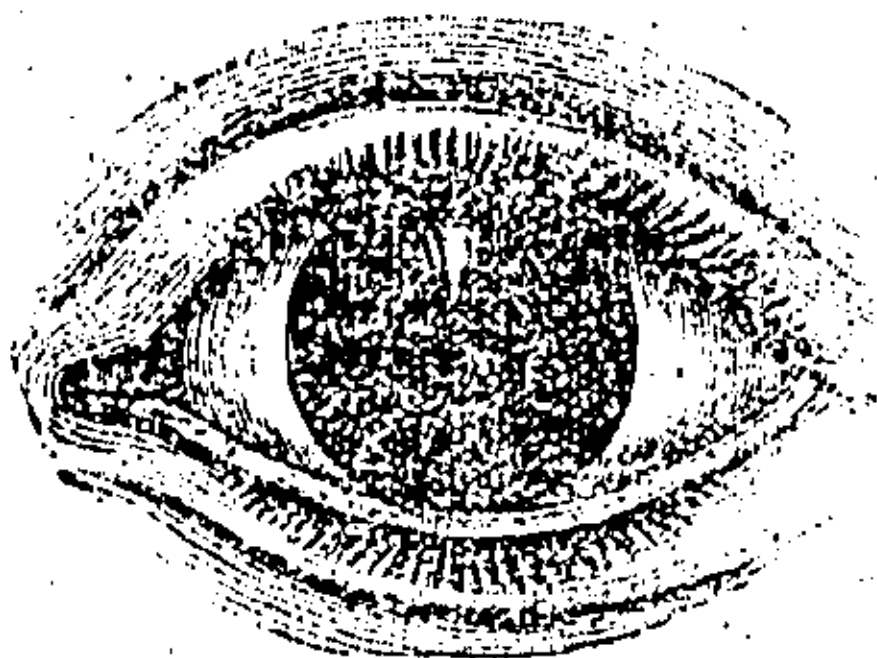
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Hongkong, 25th September, 1903. [11666]

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Hongkong, 23rd June, 1903. [65]

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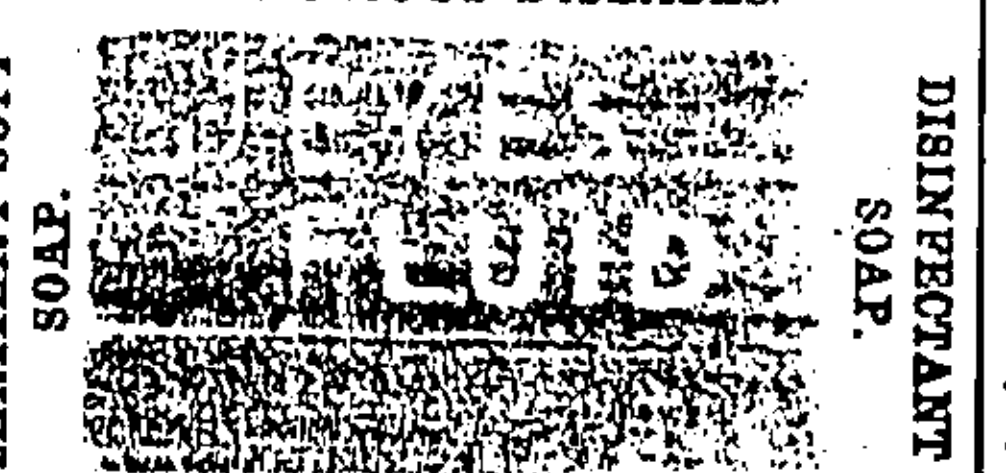


PURE DELICIOUS REFRESHING may now be had in Cases of 4 Doz. Quarts at \$15.00.

MACWEN, FRICKEL & CO., 3, DUDELL STREET. 1st September, 1903. [6506]

NOTICE. ON and after the 9th September, the S.S. "WING CHAI" will berth at the New Wharf at the WESTERN END OF WING LOK STREET. MING ON & CO., 2nd Floor, 16, Victoria Street. Hongkong, 7th September, 1903. [10926]

NOTICE. THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL INFECTIOUS DISEASES.



AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY ITS USE. W. C. HUMPHREYS & Co., Bank Buildings, Hongkong, 10th March, 1903. [191]

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DENTISTRY. SUI SANG, (Lately Practising with Dr. I. SAKATA), DENTIST. No. 26, Connaught Road Central. Hongkong, 9th February, 1903. [20]

MEE CHEUNG, PHOTOGRAPHER, TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, 17, Ice House Road. [19]

Consignees.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE. THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SAXONIA," Captain Brehmer, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th October will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th October, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected. HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 29th September, 1903. [11946]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE. NORDDEUTSCHER HAMBURG-AMERIKA LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship "ROON," of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 A.M. TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th October, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, the 6th October, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 12th October, or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th September, 1903. [6136]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. STEAMSHIP "VICTORIA," FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOI. The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents. Hongkong, 1st October, 1903. [787d]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship "KOREA," The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

J. STUART THOMSON, Acting Agent. Hongkong, 1st October, 1903. [1]

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"SHANGHAI," FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 2 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 8th instant, at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns. E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. Hongkong, 2nd October, 1903. [4]

Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN AND CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES. SIEMSEN & Co. Hongkong, 28th May, 1904. [25]

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STREAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
HIROSHIMA MARU	HOMBAI, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 6th Oct., at Noon.
KAGA MARU	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, U.S.A., VIA SHANGHAI, MOI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 6th Oct., at 4 P.M.
KASUGA MARU	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	WEDNESDAY, 7th Oct., at Noon.
SADO MARU	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 9th Oct., at Daylight.
YAWATA MARU	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	FRIDAY, 9th Oct., at 4 P.M.
HITACHI MARU	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	SATURDAY, 17th Oct., at Daylight.
RIOJUN MARU	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, U.S.A., VIA SHANGHAI, MOI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 20th Oct., at 4 P.M.
KAWACHI MARU	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 23rd Oct., at Daylight.

* Through Passenger Tickets issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada, and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class Through Passengers have the Option of Travelling by the Sanyo Railway.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building, 1st Floor, Chater Road.

Hongkong, 28th September, 1903.

T. S. TAKAYANAGI, Acting Manager.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX; ALSO PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 6th October, 1903

at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "ANNAM," Captain Girard, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON only on MONDAY, the 5th October, Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on TUESDAY.

Parcels are not to be sent on board, they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required. For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, 2th September, 1903. [10046]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON TEAMSHIP COMPANY.

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THE Steamship "SIMLA," Captain C. D. Goldsmith, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 10th October, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 28th September, 1903. [14]

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S. A. SETH, Land and Estate Broker, Dairy Farm Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 12th September, 1903. [916c]

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Hongkong, 20th March, 1903.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

VICE-ADMIRAL Sir C. A. G. Bridge, K.C.B., has been promoted to Admiral.

THE Russians are evacuating their fort at Shangkaiwan and handing over to the British.

Mr. J. Carey Hall, British Consul for Hogo and Osaka, has been promoted Consul-General.

THE great cotton firm in Liverpool of John Wrigley and Son has suspended payment, greatly affecting the market.

Do your own developing without a dark room by using an Eastman developing machine. LeMunyon.—Advt.

"JACK" Macauliffe, the well-known boxer, is now in Ceylon and is said to be contemplating a visit to the Straits shortly.

THE Ceylon Government has finally settled the question of the width of the southern entrance to the Colombo harbour as 800 feet.

Mr. Gordon Smith, a well known traveller, sportsman, and naturalist, is returning by German mail to the Far East, for another sporting campaign.

THE Supreme Court of Cape Colony has decided that death while fighting against the Sovereign does not invalidate a rebel's life insurance policy.

The Interport Team won the match against Sercombe Smith's XI on Saturday by four runs and four wickets. It is understood that T. C. Gray will accompany the team to Shanghai as a reserve.

THE P. & O. outward mail steamer *Mulla*, which left Colombo on 27th ult. and was expected to arrive at Singapore on Saturday afternoon, is bringing new Straits dollars to the number of eighteen lakhs.

Mr. L. A. Byworth, ex-Harbour Master of Canton, has arrived from England, via the Siberian railway, and is now en route to Chinkiang where he takes up the appointment of Tide-surveyor and Harbour Master.

THE French cruiser *Aurial Gueydon* is coming out to reinforce the French squadron in the Far East. This is not the ship which, as we have already reported, was lost on the southern Arabian coast. The cruiser on leaving France was given instructions to search for her namesake.

Framing, fancy and artistically done by LeMunyon, 31, Des Vaux Road.—Advt.

TO-DAY being the Chinese Mid-Autumn festival, business is at a standstill in most of the large Chinese cities. The day is recognised as a holiday by the Customs, and boats which left here last evening for Canton took no cargo, and can only discharge passengers under special permit from the I. M. C.

THE *Times* comments on the significance of the defeat of the Commonwealth Government on the amendment to bring State railway servants under the Arbitration Bill. The journal condemns the efforts of the labour party to build a Chinese wall of solid legislation round Australia "to keep the country for their exclusive benefit and enjoyment."

THE cargo of the Japanese str. *Chishima Maru* has not yet all been discharged. When relieved of her cargo the *Chishima* will be floated from the place where she is at present beached—below the Four Mill at Shanghai—and taken up into dock. The hull of the vessel is insured with the Tokio Marine Insurance Co. for ¥80,000, and cargo for ¥10,000 with the Nippon Marine Insurance Co.

ON 16th ult. there was launched from the Hongkong Engine Works Shipbuilding Yard, Yangtzeop, the largest pontoon hulk ever built in Shanghai to the order of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., for their Hongkong station. Dimensions: 300 feet long, 40 feet beam, 10 feet depth of hold. She has a go-down space on deck for cargo 260ft. by 32ft. by 12ft. and a large dwelling house above this for the captain or agent.—N. C. D. News.

CONSIDERABLE inconvenience was caused at Macao last evening when the s.s. *Fathian*, Capt. A. W. Dixon, and the s.s. *Tai On*, Capt. J. Lawrence were leaving the port. The Portuguese gunboat *Diu*, which was practising with her search-light, flashed a blinding ray across the bridges of the two departing ships with the result that the navigators could not see ahead and had to slow down until the light was removed from the bridges.

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THE British cruiser *Cressy* left for Mirra Bay this morning.

THE German mail of the 2nd September was delivered in London on the 3rd inst.

THE only communicable diseases notified last week were two of plague and one of small-pox.

THE Maharajah and the Maharani of Kapurthala arrived by the *Ernest Simons* this morning en route for Japan.

THE appointment of Capt. E. H. E. Daniell, D.S.O., the Royal Irish Reg., to be D.A.A.G., North China, is gazetted.

ACCORDING to the *Cablenews*, Governor Taft will leave the Philippines in December to take over the Secretaryship of War.

THE following, from the *Kobe Herald*, was in the passenger list of the M. M. S. *Australien*, stranded in the Inland Sea.—For Hongkong:—Messrs. Peon Lemarie and H.M.S.H. Email.

MANY persons witnessed the biograph exhibition on Saturday, but were disappointed with the manner in which the operator worked the machine and spoilt the effect of what were undoubtedly good pictures.

THE s.s. *Decimus*, concerning which a little uneasiness has been caused owing to her being considerably overdue from Sourabaya, arrived in port this afternoon.

It has been rumoured that new German banking establishments are to be created in the Far East, but all these rumours are unfounded, the more so as Germany is already represented in East Asia by the Deutsch Asiatic Bank.

Fresh Kodak film, plenty of them, at LeMunyon's, 31, Des Vaux Road.—Advt.

MAJOR-General Sir O'Moore Creagh, V.C., on return from the command of the British forces in North China, has leave until the date of embarkation for India to assume command of the Mhow District, Bombay, to which he has been appointed.

THE New Zealand Government has introduced a law excluding German shipping from New Zealand ports because Germany has closed the port of Apia, in Samoa, to New Zealand ships. *Allgemeine Zeitung* declares the allegation to be untrue.

It is reported from Peking that something has lately turned the Empress Dowager against Ex-Marshall Su and that, in consequence, it is quite probable that he will not be able to procure a more lenient sentence beyond that of decapitation after the autumn assizes this year, which will be near the end of this month.

THE special programme given by the Pollard Comedy Company in the City Hall on Saturday was successfully carried out before a somewhat small audience. Other attractions in the city and the fact that these popular entertainers could not secure the Theatre for another night accounted for the scanty attendance.

THE model which Messrs. S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd., have built of the 15 revenue cruisers supplied by them to the Philippine Government, and which is intended for the St. Louis Exposition, is 74 inches in length, the scale being half-an-inch to a foot, exact in every detail. Much of the metal work about the decks is in solid silver.

THE *Goliath*, battleship, Capt. F. H. Henderson, arrived at the Nore on 30th Aug. from Hongkong; after serving a commission of three and a-half years on the China station. On 31st she went into the North Sea for a paying-off trial, steaming into the harbour at high water in the evening. She discharged her War Department stores and went up the river to Chatham to pay off.

As a result of the less settled outlook in Far Eastern affairs it is contemplated, even by those underwriters who have been rather over-lax in the past, to insist on f. c. and s. clause in all cargo policies for the Far East, unless ships are prepared to pay a premium based on the risk of hostilities. The f. c. and s. clause applies to detention, which is perhaps the principal source of loss in the case of neutral vessels.—L. & C. Express.

COMMENTING upon the report of the Principal Civil Medical Officer for the year 1902, the *Journal of Tropical Medicine* says: The report just issued is quite up to the standard of recent reports upon the work of the Civil Medical Department of Hongkong. In no Colony is the report of the medical work better done than in Hongkong, and we congratulate the able and efficient medical staff of the department not only upon the report itself, but also upon the amount and excellence of the work they have accomplished.

AT the Wellington Barracks, on Saturday evening, an excellent concert was given to a full house by the minstrel troupe and variety entertainers of the Royal Engineers Variety Club. The programme was full of the comic element items being rendered by Messrs. H. Maskell, W. Morecombe, C. Burnett, A. E. Morger, W. Dockree, and R. Beard. A piece of solo was given by E. J. Jenkins, and the hit of the evening was a laughable sketch, entitled, "Don Caesar, the Base 'Un," which Messrs. G. Burnett, W. Dockree, W. Morecombe, H. Maskell, and H. Buss performed in capital style. The minstrel troupe was in fine form and kept the house in roars of laughter. The performance will be repeated to-morrow evening when the enterprising management will doubtless be rewarded with another crowded house.

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One more chance to buy a Kodak for \$5; a good Kodak. LeMunyon, 31, Des Vaux Road.—Advt.

THE s.s. *Karuga Maru*, which arrived to-day from Australian ports, brought treasure to the value of £2,800 in gold coins.

A NEW ORK wire of 3th ult. says the second Baden Grenadiers mutinied and stoned their officers. The revolt was caused directly by unpunished brutalities to enlisted men on the part of officers.

THE autumn recreation of Hongkong Young Men's Christian Association (Chinese department) will be held at 25, Des Vaux Road, Central, to-morrow from 7.30 to 10 p.m. Short speeches will be made by the President, Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G., the Bishop of Victoria, Archdeacon Hanister, Revs. T. W. Pearce and W. Bridie, Messrs. Lau Chu Pak and Au Fung Chi. The band of the 10th Bombay Infantry will be in attendance.

THE E. and A. Company's steamer *Empire* now holds the record for the fastest trip in the line from Hongkong to Sydney via Timor, Port Darwin, and Queensland ports. The time is 18 days 11 hours 20 minutes—a splendid performance. She left Kobe, on August 18th, arriving in Hongkong on August 22nd. She left Hongkong at 7 p.m. on August 28th, called at Timor September 2nd, Port Darwin 4th, Thursday Island 7th, Cooktown and Cairns 9th, Townsville 10th, and Brisbane 12th. She left Brisbane at 8 p.m. on the 12th, and arrived in Sydney on 14th ult.

Mail your films and Kodak orders to LeMunyon, P. O. B. 368.—Advt.

ADVICES from Australia state that the recent storm in Great Britain is described as one of the worst experienced for years. Every part of the British coast suffered more or less from the effects of the gale. The storm raged with great fury at Bath, where the wind at times attained a velocity of 72 miles an hour. The concert pavilion at Hastings was completely wrecked, as also were 50 bathing machines on the beach at that popular resort. The wind wrought great havoc amongst the trees in the park at Windsor, and many fine elms in Kensington Gardens were levelled with the ground. The hop gardens in Kent also suffered severely. Twenty thousand troops that were encamped on Faversham Common, in the east of Kent, in connection with military manoeuvres, were drenched, and their tents blown down about their heads. A large marquee that was used as the mess of the headquarters staff collapsed while the officers were dining. Many casualties also occurred on the French, Belgian, and Dutch coasts. The commencement of the southern breakwater of the National Harbour at Dover was destroyed damage being wrought to the estimated value of £40,000. The steel framework of a new gasometer at Southsea was completely wrecked by the gale. Thousands of pounds worth of damage was done.

CROWN LAND SALES.

We hear on almost every hand that money is tight in Hongkong, yet evidence is seldom wanting that cash amongst the Chinese in the Colony is readily forthcoming when valuable sites of land are offered for sale either by Government or by private owners. It was quite a short while ago that we recorded the sale in these columns of a plot of Crown land in front of Sailors' Home when some spirited bidding resulted in the upset price of the land being run up to considerably more than the Government reserve and was ultimately knocked down to Mr. A. Shelton Hooper who bought on behalf of the Hongkong Land Investment Co. High as the price then appeared to be, it would seem that the Land Co. made quite a bargain in the acquisition of that particular piece of ground when gauged by the price obtained this afternoon for Mr. L. No. 284 on the Praya Reclamation at the East side of Whitty Street in Shek Tong Tsui. The lot is a rectangular one, its N. and S. boundaries being 95 feet with a frontage of 160 feet. It thus contains 15,200 square feet. Mr. Un Lai Chuen, the manager of the Po On Codown Co., is the owner of the adjoining lot, and it was on his application that the ground was put up for sale this afternoon. Mr. Wong Lai Fang of the firm of Mr. E. M. Hazeland, architect, attended with Mr. Un Lai Chuen the sale and did the biddings on behalf of the latter. Mr. Rees, who acted as the auctioneer, announced the upset price at \$98,800 and accepted bids of not less than \$500 each. The only opponent to the applicant was Mr. Tang Lai Tong, a Chinese banker. Between them the lot was contested up to \$133,500 when a compromise was effected and they agreed to become the joint purchasers at the figure. At that price, the rate per square foot works out to \$8.78. The annual Crown rent of the lot is \$180.

PEAK ROAD LOTS.

Mr. Henry Humphreys was the purchaser of three other small lots also sold this afternoon. They are situated on the Peak Road and measure, respectively, 3,914, 1,045 and 1,675 square feet. Not meeting with competition the lots were knocked down to Mr. Humphreys at \$50 above the upset prices of each. They were accordingly bought for \$998, \$282, and \$619. We understand that the land is required as extensions to Mr. Humphreys's palatial residence in this locality.

TYPHOON WARNING.

General Edw. S. Bragg, U. S. Consul-General, kindly forwards the following copy of a telegram which he received from Manila yesterday:—Manila Observatory, 4th October, 4 o'clock p.m. Typhoon at present lying North Palawan probably becoming deeper and moving to the N.W.

CURRENCY IN HONGKONG.

The following correspondence, respecting proposal for an inquiry into the currency of the Colony was laid before the Legislative Council this morning:—

Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, Hongkong, 28th February, 1903.

"I am directed to inform you, for the information of His Excellency the Governor, that in November last the Singapore Chamber of Commerce addressed this Chamber, drawing attention to the steps taken by that Chamber with the object of investigating and considering the possibility of arriving at some method by which the fixing of Exchequer gold and silver in Singapore and the Straits Settlements might be solved, and asking for this Chamber's views as to the advisability of taking any action in the same direction with regard to the currency of Hongkong.

At a meeting of the Committee specially called to discuss this matter, held on the 23rd December last, it was decided to reply that, although they greatly appreciated the friendly desire for joint action, the Committee regretted that, by reason of the very different position occupied by the two Colonies, they were unable to see their way, whilst China still retains a silver currency, to take any steps which might tend to lead the Government to adopt another Standard.

Since the expression of opinion by the Committee, a requisition from five members was received calling for a Special General Meeting of the members of the Chamber, for the purpose of discussing the question of local currency, and this Meeting of Members was held on the 18th inst., when the following Resolution was carried by a majority:—

"That in the opinion of this Meeting it is desirable the Straits Currency Commission should extend its inquiries to Hongkong, with a view to ascertaining whether reform of the Colony's currency arrangements is advisable."

In this connection, I enclose copies of the following papers:—

1. Published minutes of Committee Meeting held 23rd December, 1902.
2. Notice calling Special General Meeting of Members for 18th February, 1903.
3. Published minutes of Special General Meeting.—I have, &c.,

A. R. LOWE,
Secretary.Hon. F. H. MAY, C.M.G.,
Colonial Secretary.Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1903.

SIR,—With reference to your letter of the 28th ultimo, I am directed to inform you that a copy of the Resolution therein contained will be forwarded to the Secretary of State for the Colonies in due course.—I have, &c.,

F. H. MAY.

Secretary,
Chamber of Commerce.Government House,
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1903.

SIR,—I have the honour to transmit for your information an enclosed copy of a letter from the Chamber of Commerce regarding the proposal to fix a rate of Exchange between gold and silver and to relieve trade in this Colony from the difficulties and embarrassments caused by the fluctuations in their relative value. As stated in the letter, a majority of the Chamber have at a recent meeting adopted the following Resolution: "That in the opinion of this Meeting it is desirable the Straits Currency Commission should extend its inquiries to Hongkong with a view to ascertaining whether reform of the Colony's currency arrangements is advisable."

I laid the letter from the Chamber of Commerce with the Resolution therein contained before my Executive Council, and was advised by a majority that it would be well to have a Commission appointed to inquire into the currency question so far as it affected Hongkong, but that such a Commission should be separate and distinct from that appointed to inquire into the question in Singapore. The Council offered no opinion on the ultimate question as to whether a gold standard should or should not be adopted for Hongkong, but advised that in the event of His Majesty's Government deciding to appoint a Commission, the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce should be invited to nominate two gentlemen for appointment as members, one to represent that section of the Chamber which is in favour of the *status quo*, and the other to represent the section which is in favour of adopting a gold standard.

I enclose also for your information copies of the proceedings of the Chamber of Commerce at a Meeting of the Committee held on the 23rd December, 1902, and of a General Meeting of the Chamber held on the 18th February, 1903, at which the Resolution now forwarded was adopted by a majority of 40 to 25.

As it appeared to me that the papers read on that occasion by the gentlemen who proposed the Resolution in opposition to the gold standard, formed by the Committee of the Chamber at the Meeting of 23rd December had been carefully prepared, while the time occupied in the discussion was palpably not sufficient to admit of well considered reply, I communicated with a number of the most important Merchants, Managers of Shipping Companies, and Bankers in the Colony, requesting their views on the subject. I attach their answers which will show that, among the mercantile men who have the largest stake in the Colony, including British, German and Chinese, there is an almost unanimous feeling against any interference with the present currency so long as the Chinese currency remains what it is.

The arguments put forward in these various statements cover the whole ground from a business point of view, and a glance at the value of shares ten years ago and now shows that the gold value of capital then invested has increased very considerably, even with the depreciated dollar. But there is another aspect of the question that requires very grave consideration even before a Commission be decided upon, for the appointment of a Commission would at once further affect Exchange. Can this Colony afford to pay the cost of conversion? Assuming a gold reserve, with paper currency and token silver coins, is the paper to be inconvertible? If not, gold selling sometimes at a premium, our reserve will be demanded for conversion into gold leaf, of which there is enormous consumption in China, and must be replaced, while of the large token coin there will probably be a perennial supply of counterfeit from China that we can only exclude by the establishment of a rigid Customs service and the total change in the character of the coin which has grown and thriven upon its freedom from restrictions. While if the silver rises beyond the value of the coin then the silver currency will be at once converted into bullion.

These are questions that can be answered in London as well as in Hongkong, and require to be very carefully considered before any step is taken that will disturb present conditions. Whether Hongkong turns to the East or to the West it is evident that she will have to have in her Exchange fluctuations on one side or the other. At present the double calculation is made by the merchant or commission agent in

Hongkong. If we seek to transfer that to the Chinese importer and exporter, will he not prefer to continue to deal in Exchange with his accustomed currency, in Chinese ports to which the Exchange Banks will transfer their business, and where he will be merely by the most active merchants and brokers who will perform be drawn by trade competition from Hongkong? Such an exodus from this port would profoundly affect its prosperity which has grown upon the principle of minimum interference with the freedom of trade and a maximum of convenience for the Chinese traders.

I have, &c.,
H. A. BLAKE.The Right Honourable
The Secretary of State for the Colonies,
&c., &c.HONGKONG, DOWNING STREET,
No. 305, 22nd August, 1903.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 174 of the 2nd April, with its enclosures, on the subject of the currency in Hongkong.

I regret that I have not returned an earlier reply to your despatch, which has, however, been receiving my careful attention. I transmit to you herewith a copy of Resolutions agreed to at a recent Conference between Delegations from the United States, China and Mexico, and Representatives of this country, regarding the monetary system of silver-using countries and the establishment of a national currency in the Chinese Empire, together with a copy of a Message of the President of the United States which led up to the Conference. The Delegations are now discussing the silver question with Representatives of different Governments in Europe.

It does not appear expedient to discuss further at the present stage the possibility of establishing a gold standard in Hongkong; the difficulties of which are clearly stated in your despatch. It appears to me to be out of the question to entertain the idea of adopting a gold standard of currency for the Colony while China remains a silver standard country, and I do not, therefore, consider that it would be expedient to appoint a Commission to inquire into the subject.—I have, &c.,

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

Governor
Sir Henry A. Blake, C.M.G.,
&c., &c.

(Enclosure.)
Conference between Delegations from the United States, China, and Mexico, and Representatives of Great Britain.

Points regarding monetary systems for silver-using countries, on which the Conference unanimously agreed:—

1. That the adoption in silver-using countries of the gold standard on the basis of a silver coin of unlimited legal tender, but with a fixed gold value, would greatly promote the development of those countries already possessing the gold standard, besides enlarging the investment opportunities of the world.
2. That a national currency for the Chinese Empire, consisting of silver coins which shall be full legal tender throughout the Empire, is urgently desirable.

As soon as practicable, steps should be taken for the establishment in China of a fixed relation between the silver unit and gold.

3. That approximate uniformity in the exchange ratio between gold and the silver coins of such countries as may hereafter adopt a gold standard is desirable.
4. That, if there are no further serious changes in the price of silver bullion, it is desirable that the coin ratio between gold and the silver coins of those silver-using countries which may hereafter adopt a gold standard should be fixed at about 34 to 1.
5. That fluctuations in the price of silver bullion would, to some extent, be prevented by reasonable regularity in the purchases and sales required by each Government for actual coinage purposes, and that such regularity is desirable, and might be adopted, as far as possible, in each country, subject to its monetary policy convenience.

Great Britain: China:
JAS. L. MACKEY, HALLIDAY MACARTNEY,
EDWIN CAMERON, IVAN CHEN,
ROBERT CHAMBERS,
W. BLAIN,
GEORGE W. JOHNSON.
Mexico:
H. H. MANN, ENRIQUE C. CREEL,
CH. RUIZ A. CONANT, LUIS CAMACHO,
JEREMIAH W. JENKS, ED. MEAD,
Technical Counsellor:
EDWARD BRUSH.

London, 18th June, 1903.

THE STRANDED MAIL
STEAMER.

Very little further news is to hand of the stranded French mail steamer *Australien*, says the *Kobe Herald* of 29th ult. The reports which the agent has received all show that she is in a very bad position, and that the salvage operations will be very considerable. The French second-class cruiser *Eugenie* has been despatched from Yokohama to the scene of the disaster. She was expected here last afternoon to take a pilot on board, and she should arrive at Umasima early to-morrow morning. Arrangements will then be made to assist the *Australien* in whatever way may seem most likely to succeed. Captain James is still standing by the steamer, and it will be interesting to hear from him as to what caused the misfortune. The *Mitsui Bussan Kaisha* salvage steamer *Oura Maru* with salvage apparatus and divers left Nagasaki last night for the scene of the stranding.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE:
American (*Gaule*) 8th inst.
English (*Malta*) 9th inst.
Australian (*Tinian*) 12th inst.
Canadian (*Athenian*) 13th inst.
German (*Seydlitz*) 13th inst.
German (*Preussen*) 14th inst.

The *R. K. K. Rosalia Maru* left Manila this morning at 11 a.m., and is expected here on 7th inst. at 9 a.m.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Roon* which left here on Wednesday p.m. has arrived at Shanghai on Saturday at 11 a.m.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Seydlitz* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on 4th inst., and may be expected here on 13th inst.

The *C. C. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Clavering* from San Francisco on 15th ult., arrived at Kobe and sails for Hongkong via Moji to-morrow.

The *P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Malak* left Singapore for this port on 4th inst., at 10 a.m., with the Outward English Mails, and is due here on 6th inst. at about noon.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Preussen* carrying the German Mails with dispatch from Berlin on the 15th ult. left Cologne on 15th inst., and may be expected here on 22nd inst.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters.)

The Jockey Club Stakes.

London, 2nd October.
Sceptre.
Rock Sand.
Cappa White.

Obituary.

The death is announced of Sir Michael Herbert, British Ambassador at Washington.

H. B. the Rt. Hon. Sir Michael Herbert, K.C.M.G., C.B., succeeded the late Lord Pauncefoot as British Ambassador at Washington early in June of last year. He had previously spent nearly five years of his diplomatic career there at Secretary of Legation and chargé d'affaires from 1888 to 1893, and during that period he not only secured the confidence and regard of the American public men with whom his duties brought him into official contact, and became a popular figure in American Society, but he also gained in a remarkable degree the personal friendship of distinguished citizens like President Roosevelt, Secretary Hay and Senator Lodge. He was 46 years of age and was a son of the late Rt. Hon. Sidney Herbert and brother to the Earl of Pembroke. He married Miss Leila Wilson, of New York, and sister of Mrs. Cornelius Jr. The *Coblenzer* reports that he died of consumption.

The Cabinet Resignations.

The letters from Mr. Ritchie and Lord George Hamilton, tendering their resignations have been published, both are dated 15th Sept. and declare unequivocal adhesion to the principle of Free Trade.

LATER.

Lord Milner has declined the Colonial Secretaryship.

3rd October.

It is understood that Mr. Balfour has completed the cabinet but the announcement is deferred till Monday. Lord Selborne, who is now regarded as the most probable successor to Mr. Chamberlain, has gone to Balmoral.

The King will return to London on Thursday in order to be at the Privy Council on Friday or Saturday.

The Balkan Trouble.

It is announced in Sofia that desperate fighting is proceeding between Turks and Bulgarians in the districts of Razlog, Melnik, Dernierhisar and Nesrokop.

LATER.

The revolutionary head quarters in Sofia declare that the whole Christian population of Razlog, except ten men, were massacred on the 28th ult. after desperate fighting.

Mr. Balfour's Sheffield Address.

Mr. Balfour's address at Sheffield shows him to be in complete agreement with Mr. Chamberlain; his proposals are the inevitable and indispensable preliminaries to the adoption of Mr. Chamberlain's policy. The Sheffield Conference has adopted a resolution cordially welcoming Mr. Balfour's fiscal policy.

The Somaliland Expedition.

The columns are expected to advance at the end of the month. It is arranged that the Abyssinians will again co-operate with the British force.

The Boer Irreconcilables in India.

Ex-Commandants Botha, De Wet and Delarey are going to India to induce the Boer Irreconcilables to return to South Africa, and will afterwards proceed to Europe.

(N. C. D. News.)

The Plague at Peking.

Tientsin, 28th September.
The disease at Peking, plague, not cholera; this has been known for the past six weeks. Tientsin and Taku are not affected, and no alarm is felt.

France and Morocco.

London, 28th September.
It is officially declared that the question of France proclaiming a protectorate over Morocco has not been raised between England and France.

An exchange of views has been proceeding, during which France has doubtless affirmed her claim to predominance in Morocco, suggesting certain eventual safeguards and compensations; but France does not contemplate any conquest of Morocco.

China makes a Stand.

Peking, 29th September.
The Chinese Government has refused the new Russian demand on the ground that the Government cannot enter into any negotiation before the Russian troops have evacuated Manchuria according to the existing convention.

Prince Ching is supposed to have come to this determination under the influence of the protestations of the Japanese Minister, and the warnings of the United States.

The Voice of South Africa.

In view of the coming elections, the South African Party has issued a programme which the Afrikaner Bond has adopted as its basis of operations.

It advocates a firm union between the different nationalities, the promotion of self-dependence in South Africa, and the development of an unmistakable South African National sentiment.

The Agitation in Serbia.

London, 30th September.
The court-martial on the officers concerned in the counter-conspiracy in Serbia has ended in Captain Novakovich and another being deprived of their commissions for two years, and others for periods varying from a month to a year.

It is expected that King Peter will pardon them all.

The Cabinet Changes in England.

London, 30th September.
Lord Milner has had a conference of two-and-a-half hours' duration with Mr. Balfour, in the course of which he was definitely offered a portfolio. He is taking time to consider.

An Open-Minded Pope.

London, 3rd September.
H. H. Pope Pius X has dropped several hints of his intention to leave the Vatican.

The Discord in Macedonia.

London, 30th September.
It is hoped that some scheme of European control over Macedonia will be the outcome of the meeting of Czar Nicholas and the Emperor Francis Joseph.

All Quiet in Japan.

Tokio, 30th September.
Much surprise has been caused in Japan in consequence of rumours circulated in Europe ascribing extensive warlike preparations to Japan, and declaring the existence of a popular war fever.

Such stories are entirely groundless; there are no special preparations whatever nor any excess of excitement. Japan is prepared, as always, but perfectly calm, and the situation does not inspire any new anxiety. The significance of the manifesto of the Progressists has been also much exaggerated abroad, whereas at home it is regarded as lacking national importance, and as dictated mainly by political motives.

(Coblenzer.)

Mgr. Guidi Recalled.

Washington, 1st October.
The Pope has recalled Monsignor Guidi, the Papal Delegate to the Philippines. Despatches from Rome, received to-day by the Associated Press, announce the summoning of the distinguished prelate to Rome. He will leave in a short time from Manila. The momentous question of the friar lands will be settled by direct negotiations between Washington and Rome. This is the policy of Pius X. The announcement has created a stir here, although it was known that Monsignor Guidi was making little or no progress in his efforts to settle the vexed differences between the Philippine Government and the monastic orders in the Islands. It is believed that Pius X. will take a firmer tone with the affairs than did his beloved predecessor, and that the affairs will be brought to an issue soon. The nearing residence in Washington of Governor Taft as Secretary of War has doubtless much to do with the change in the arrangements.

Lord Mayor of London.

London, 30th September.
Alderman Ritchie has been elected Lord Mayor of London.

H.E. SIR HENRY BLAKE.

The King has been pleased to approve the appointment of Sir Henry Arthur Blake, G.C.M.G. (Governor of Hongkong), to be Governor of Ceylon, in the room of the Right Honourable Sir Joseph West Ridgeway, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., K.C.S.I., whose term of office in that Colony will shortly expire. The notification at least puts an end to the attempt of the Chinese to get Sir Henry's time at Hongkong extended, and to which request a very laconic answer was returned by the Colonial Office. Both Sir Henry and Lady Blake have made a particular point of building for the confidence and goodwill of the natives, with the perhaps not unnatural result that they aroused to some extent the jealousy of the Europeans. We are unable to learn anything at present as to the successor of Sir Henry at Hongkong.—L. & C. Express.

It may not be generally known that Sir Henry Blake, who is to succeed to the Governorship of Ceylon, is the owner of Raleigh's House, at Youghal, county Cork, which he acquired from the representatives of Sir John Pope-Hennessy, also a predecessor of his at Government House, Hongkong. Raleigh's House is in an excellent state of preservation. It was in its garden that R. Leigh (or Raleigh) planted the first potato grown in Ireland. Associations of Spenser also hang around the famous house, says the same paper. He was often there with Raleigh; and if it is true that he was married in Youghal in 1594, he may have had his wedding breakfast there.

U.S. CONSUL, MCWADE.

QUANQUETED BY THE MACAO CHINESE.
Mr. R. M. McWade, U.S. Consul at Canton, has recently been a regular visitor to Macao at each week end. The greater salubrity of the Southern Riviera, as compared with the capital of Kwangtung, has attracted Mrs. and Miss McWade that they have elected to make Macao their residential home for the remaining short weeks of the present summer.

Availing of his presence at Macao, the leading Chinese residents of the city, with whom Consul McWade is justly popular, invited him to a dinner, dedicated to him. The function was an informal one, but nevertheless furnished the testimony of Chinese appreciation of Mr. McWade, who is so well known as a friend of their compatriots within his consular jurisdiction.

At the invitation of Mr. Lu Kwong Yee, managing representative of the Chinese firm of bankers—the Po Hong—a select number of the leading Chinese residents met at their exclusive club, the "Tai Tong," yesterday where Mr. McWade was made the guest of the evening. The premises were illuminated with Japanese lanterns for the occasion. The bill of fare was a *la Chinoise*. The conviviality of the evening was added to by the informality of the function which did not, however, detract from the warmth of the appreciation which the Chinese of Macao, as represented by the host, was anxious to manifest towards the honoured guest of the evening.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held at noon to-day in the Council Chamber. Present: His Excellency the Governor, Sir Henry A. Blake, G.C.M.G., Hon. Colonel L. F. Brown, R.E. (Officer Commanding the Garrison), Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary), Hon. Sir Henry Spencer Berkeley, Kt. (Attorney-General), Hon. A. M. Thomson, (Colonial Treasurer), Hon. Basil Taylor, R.N. (Acting Harbour Master), Hon. W. Chatham, (Director of Public Works), Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson (Principal Civil Medical Officer), Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C.M.G., Hon. Wei Yuk, Hon. Gershom Stewart, Hon. H. F. Pollock, K.C., Mr. R. F. Johnston (Acting Clerk of Councils).

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

FINANCIAL.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee (No. 10) and moved its adoption.

In bringing it forward he said that when the Ecclesiastical vote came before the Committee, unofficial members expressed the opinion that in view of the large additional services rendered in the gaol and in the hospital for chaplains that it might be increased. He asked the hon. members to furnish him with facts which he would lay before H.E. in support of the recommendation and that no doubt it would receive consideration. On the votes for the sanitary department coming before the Committee certain unofficial members asked for an assurance from Government that such supervision would be exercised as would render it impossible that such a large sum would be otherwise spent than in a proper and efficient manner. Such an assurance was for coming from the President of the Sanitary Board, and he (the Colonial Secretary) promised on behalf of the Government to lay on the table in due course a report showing how the permanent staff for plague purposes would be employed in non-epidemic times. Finally, he thought it right to mention that on the vote, Public Works Extraordinary, for the prison on Stonecutters Island, the senior unofficial member for the Chinese asked that, seeing the construction of the prison on the site named was still under the consideration of the Public Works Committee, Government would undertake, in the event of that Committee reporting against the site, not to build the prison on Stonecutters. He was unable to give such an undertaking, but assured the hon. member that any recommendation of the Public Works Committee on such an important matter as the building of a large convict prison would receive the earnest attention of the Government. All the items of the Appropriation Bill, as stated in the report, were adopted by the Committee.

The Colonial Treasurer, seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

H.E. the Governor said that with reference to what had fallen from the Colonial Secretary in his observations before the Council he might say at once that if unofficial members were of opinion that the Ecclesiastical vote was too small, and if their opinion was placed before him he would send that opinion to the Secretary of State and should support it on the ground that the unofficial members were in favour of it. With reference to the Sanitary department, the President realised very clearly the enormous increase in the expenses of that department. As they were aware, in sanitary matters, Government had laid itself down for the last three or four years to try by every means in their power to eradicate the source of plague from amongst them. The Sanitary Board had left nothing undone, and it had been the policy of the Government to grant to the department every request that was put forward for the purpose of increasing, in their opinion, its efficiency and the means of combating the epidemic. At the same time they had worked as closely as they could, leaving them the responsibility and accepting from the Board their assurance of what they considered to be best. Had it appeared to the Government that there was any undue expenditure they certainly would have placed that for the consideration of the Board. Now that matters were getting more settled, as he thought had been shown a decrease, he hoped it might be possible in future to have a further decrease in the enormous expenditure of the department. But they must always remember that whatever in times had to be spent if they did not secure efficiency all money was wasted (hear, hear) if they could only secure what they were aiming at he quite agreed with what he believed was the general consensus of opinion in the Colony, that no amount within the means of the Colony would be too much. With regard to the prison on Stonecutters Island H.E. said the matter had been a long time under consideration, and he was sure, himself, that if all the facts in connection with it had been fully considered the Public Works Committee would be driven to the conclusion that they must go to Stonecutters. If they could have avoided going there, he thought the tendency was rather, having it elsewhere, but he did not think they would find any other position that would be so satisfactory in every way.

CURRENCY.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table correspondence respecting the proposal for an inquiry into the currency of Hongkong.

APPROPRIATION BILL.
He also presented his certificate under section 40 of the Standing Orders, that the Appropriation Bill of 1904 be considered clause by clause by the Finance Committee in the presence of all the members of that Committee. In view of that certificate and of the fact that all the items were recommended by the Finance Committee, he thought it was not necessary, under the Standing Orders, that the Council should consider the Bill in Committee of the whole Council. He, therefore, moved the third reading of the Bill.

H.E.—If there is no objection this can be done.

The Colonial Secretary:—There being no objection, sir, I beg to move the third reading of the Bill.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

CITY OF VICTORIA.

The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled an Ordinance to define the Boundaries of the City of Victoria. The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a second time.

RIVER TRADE.

The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled an Ordinance to exempt certain Ships from the requirements of Section 4 of the Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance No. 36 of 1899.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a second time, and, after passing the Committee stage, was read a third time.

CHINESE MARRIED WOMEN.

The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled an Ordinance to further amend The Magistrates Ordinance, 1890.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a second time, and, after a lengthy discussion, was left in the Committee stage.

The Council adjourned sine die.

CRAIGENGOWER CRICKET CLUB.

The annual general meeting of this Club was held at Wongquichong on Saturday, Mr. W. D. Draidwood, presiding. The Chairman proposed that the annual report and accounts be adopted. The motion, seconded by Mr. L. E. Lammer, was carried.

The Chairman was unanimously re-elected President for the ensuing season, with the following office-bearers:—Hon. Secretary, A. E. Asger; Hon. Treasurer, G. Rapp; Committee, R. Basa (capt.), L. E. Lammer (vice-capt.), A. O. Brown, M. E. Asger, J. L. Stuart, and A. A. Rose.

The following proposal was unanimously passed:—That the members desire to place on record their high appreciation of the valuable services rendered to the Club by Mr. M. E. Asger as Captain for many years past, their regret at his resignation owing to ill-health, his hope that he may be able to resume his captaincy next year with as much success as he has done in the past, and a letter be forwarded to him to that effect.

The annual report is as follows:—The Committee have much pleasure in submitting their report for the season 1902-03.

The season was a very successful one in every way. Of the 22 matches played, 17 were won and 5 lost, all of them being keenly contested.

Mr. R. Basa, who heads the list of batting averages with 16.6 in 22 innings, has won the Bellios Challenge Shield outright, having secured the best average for the third time. It will be remembered the Shield was presented by Mr. E. H. Bellios, C.V.O., to the Club in 1898, and its conditions were that before becoming the property of any person, it must be won by him two seasons in succession or three times in all. The following are the previous holders:—

1898-1899, R. Basa. Average, 21.3
1899-1900, M. E. Asger. " 38.0
1900-1901, R. Basa. " 25.2
1901-1902, J. P. Jordan. " 22.1

Mr. R. Pestonji obtained the best bowling analysis, with an average of 4.9 for 58 wickets. The amount of subscriptions being inadequate, and the expenditure having increased, there remains at the close of the season a balance of \$33.92.

The refreshment bar pays its way well. The total number of members is at present 54. Lawn tennis was resumed during the summer months, and there was greater enthusiasm shown in the tournament, the entries being double that of last year.

The final in the Scratch Singles was won by Mr. A. O. Brown, and the same gentleman and Mr. J. P. Jordan won the Doubles.

AT HOME.—The members held a very successful "At Home" on the 31st January last. During the afternoon a return match with the Volunteer Coronation Contingent was played, which ended in a victory for the Club, and the various prizes were presented.

The thanks of the Club are due to the President for his annual cricket prizes.

We regret to report that Mr. M. E. Asger, who has captained the team so ably since the formation of the Club ten years ago, has, owing to several reasons, felt himself compelled to resign his post.

TRIAL TRIP OF THE "AMERICA MARU."

The second of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha's Pacific liners, *America Maru* commanded by Captain P. Going, went on an official Government trial on Thursday last, 1st October.

The steamer left the harbour at 5 a.m. and proceeded to the south side of the Island where a measured three-mile course has been specially marked out so that the steamers of this company may comply with the requirements of the Japanese Government.

Full speed having been rung up the steamer was very soon set to business, the weather was fine with a fresh breeze blowing from the H.E.

On the six runs the following results were obtained, knots: 18.367; 18.000; 18.717; 17.647; 18.621; and 17.391; making an mean average of 18.203 knots.

This result is highly satisfactory and is in excess of that attained five years ago, and entitles the Toyo Kisen Kaisha to a renewal of the same Government subsidy for another period of five years.

The Japanese Government was represented by Mr. C. Shiba, Professor of Engineering, Imperial University, Tokyo, Mr. M. Hara, the company's naval Architect was present on behalf of the owners.

On the next arrival of the *Hongkong Maru* she will also go through this service steaming test, after being docked and overhauled.

VICEROY'S FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT TO FOREIGN CONSOLS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, October 3rd.

On Saturday afternoon H.E. Viceroy Tsen Chun-huen paid his first official visit to the foreign Consuls at Canton. Streets leading to the French bridge connecting the city with the Shamien were crowded with people anxious to catch a glimpse of their much criticised new Viceroy, and the route from the Yamen was lined with native troops and yamen runners armed with Mauser rifles and wearing khaki uniforms, and blue putties. Precisely at two o'clock the Viceroy's German bullet band was heard approaching the French bridge, and ere long the buglers, wearing blue uniforms with gold facings and foreign made straw hats, came into sight. The Viceroy, who was carried in a chair with four bearers, was attended by four *tinghis*, or personal servants, armed with loaded revolvers. A body guard of about 80 well-drilled men, also in blue uniforms, accompanied the chair. His first visit was to the French Consul, whose residence is nearest the approach to the Shamien, and it was here that the Europeans had an opportunity of hearing a performance by the band, which consists of a bass drum, four kettledrums, cymbals, and eight bugles. Having visited the other consulates H.E. returned to the city at half-past four. It was understood that the Viceroy took the opportunity of conferring with the consuls upon the troubles in the adjoining Kwang.

COMMERCIAL.

RICE.

Messrs. W. G. Hale & Co. report from Saigon, under date 25th ult.—As there is hardly anything to be called a demand for any direction and as the weather proved, lately, very seasonable, our market shows marked signs of weakness. Real Cochinchina paddy is not plentiful and the little that comes to the market is indeed of a poor average showing more or less yellow and red grains, which are unavoidable at this advanced stage of the season. Cambodia paddy has been coming in freely lately and there is quite a stock of it in Cholon godown; but the quality of the latter is much inferior to Cochinchina paddy, as it contains a larger percentage of red grains, is much smaller in appearance, and turns out with more broken grains. The latter is sold much cheaper than the former. As regards new crop, the weather has been lately very favourable and the prospect, so far, looks very fair.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.	
ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer	110/110
" Bank Bills, on demand	110/5/16
" Credits, 4 months' sight	110/11/16
" D'ments 4 months' sight	110/13/16
ON BERLIN, (Demand)	M. 1.80
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand	2/31
" Credits, 4 months' sight	2/37
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand	45 1/2
" Credits, 30 days' sight	45 1/2
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer	137 1/2
" On demand	138 1/2
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer	72 1/2
" Private 30 days' sight	nom.
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T.	90
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.05
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tacl	\$7.60
24 Silver	\$27.9/16

OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.	
To-day's quotations are as follows:—	
MALWA NEW	@ 900/940
" LAST YEAR	@ 970/1,020
" OLDEST	@ 1,040/1,080
PATNA NEW	@ 1,100
BENARES NEW	@ 1,100
PERSIAN (PAPER)	@ 750,800

To-day's Advertisements.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 12th day of October, 1903, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of the Lot of CROWN LAND, near Wong Nei Chong Village, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"TANTALUS"	On 5th October.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 24th October.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 31st October.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"ULYSSES"	On 7th November.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 14th November.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS"	On 21st November.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	On 30th November.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"AGAMEMNON"	On 13th October.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"IDOMENEUS"	On 19th October.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"PAK LING"	On 27th October.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"NINGCHOW"	On 10th November.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"TANTALUS"	On 24th November.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"POLYPHEMUS"	On 8th December.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"ANTENOR"	On 15th December.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"ACHILLES"	On 22nd December.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"PROMETHEUS"	On 5th January.
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PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS- VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	5th "
SHANGHAI	"WOOSUNG"	6th "
MANILA	"SUNGKIANG"	7th "
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FOR TAMSUI	"DAIJIN MARU"	T. Ogata	TUESDAY, 6th Oct.
FOR ANPING	"MAIDZURU MARU"	K. Akashi	FRIDAY, 9th Oct.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIGI MARU"	T. W. Groves	SUNDAY, 11th Oct.
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Hongkong, 7th September, 1903. [1073e]

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HONGKONG, 3rd October, 1903. [171e]

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THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg,
Acting Director of the Hongkong Obser-
vatory—On the 4th at 6.15 p.m. The depression in
the Pacific seems to be moving WNW. towards
S. Formosa.

On the 5th at 10.15 a.m. Red Drum hoisted.

At 11.30 a.m. The barometer has fallen
rapidly over Formosa and the SE. coast of
China, risen slightly over the Loochoos and
Philippines.The centre of the typhoon lies now near the
S. Cape of Formosa. Its direction towards
WNW. is, so far, maintained.Pressure is still high but giving way over N.
China and NE. Japan.Very bad weather in the Formosa Channel
and strong NW. winds to gales off the coast to
the Eastward of Hongkong.Forecast:—strong NW. winds; fair at first,
equally and unsettled later.

On date at 10 a.m. On date at 4 p.m.

Barometer 29.99 29.86

Shipping.

Arrivals.

Haiching, Br. s.s., 1267, Passmore, 4th Oct.— Fochow 1st Oct., Amoy 2nd, and Swatow 3rd, Gen.—D. L. & Co.	Hiroshima Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,035, Nagao, 4th Oct.—Yokohama 23rd Sept., Gen.—N. Y. K.	Brunhilde, Ger. s.s., 872, Selck, 4th Oct.— Sourabaya 23rd Sept., Sugar—S. W. & Co.	Chowfa, Ger. s.s., 1,055, Köhler, 4th Oct.— Bangkok 26th Sept., Rice, Wood and Gen. —B. & S.	Wuhu, Br. s.s., 1,227, Partridge, 4th Oct.— Chin-wan-tau 28th Sept., Coal—B. & S.	Triumph, Ger. s.s., 769, Hansen, 4th Oct.— Hohow 3rd Oct., Gen. Pigs and Cattle— J. & Co.	Abessinia, Ger. s.s., 6,142, Filler, 4th Oct.— Shanghai 1st Oct., Gen.—H. A. L.	Hangsang, Br. s.s., 1,356, Wilde, 4th Oct.— Canton 3rd Oct., Gen.—J. M. & Co.	Chiyuen, Ch. s.s., 1,211, Stewart, 4th Oct.— Canton 3rd Oct., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.	Tungshing, Br. s.s., 1,184, Selby, 4th Oct.— Canton 3rd Oct., Gen.—J. M. & Co.	Hong Moh, Br. s.s., 2,555, Stach, 4th Oct.— Singapore 29th Sept., Gen.—Joo Teck Seng.	Hoihaio, Fr. s.s., 599, Merlees, 4th Oct.— Haiphong 2nd Oct., and Hoihow 3rd, Gen. —A. R. M.	Siam, Br. s.s., 992, Binns, 4th Oct.—Shanghai 1st Oct., Empty Cases—Geo. J. Chalm & Co.	Ernest Simons, Fr. s.s., 2,162, Froment, 5th Oct.—Marseilles 6th Oct., and Saigon 2nd Oct., Mails and Gen.—M. M.	Arman, Fr. s.s., 2,238, Girard, 5th Oct.— Shanghai 3rd Oct., Mails and Gen.—M. M.	Laisang, Br. s.s., 2,225, Tadd, 5th Oct.— Singapore 29th Sept., Gen.—J. M. & Co.	Yikang, Br. s.s., 1,235, Bowker, 5th Oct.— Hongay 1st Oct., Coal—J. M. & Co.	Unda, Norw. s.s., 879, Gabrielsen, 5th Oct.— Hongay 1st Oct., Coal—Order.	Ca, ri, Ital. s.s., 2,718, Belsio, 5th Oct.— Singapore 28th Sept., Gen.—C. & Co.	Elg, Norw. s.s., 7-8, Christophersen, 5th Oct.— Hoihow 3rd Sept., Gen.—C. & Co.	Kasuga Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,368, Hunter, 5th Oct.—Manila 2nd Oct., Gen.—N. Y. K.	Yuen-sang, Br. s.s., 1,128, Payne, 5th Oct.— Manila, P.I., 2nd Oct., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
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Clearances at the Harbour Office.

<i>Daijin Maru</i> , for Swatow. Tyr, for Hongay.	<i>Savio</i> , for Kobe.	<i>Tetartus</i> , for Samarang.	<i>Abessinia</i> , for Singapore.	<i>Hoihaio</i> , for Hoihow.	<i>Maiau</i> , for Kwong-chow-wan.	<i>Chan On</i> , for Wuchow.	<i>Unda</i> , for Shanghai.	<i>Hikosan Maru</i> , for Moji.	<i>Hongkong</i> , for Swatow.	<i>Iha Verde</i> , for Macao.	<i>Winghai</i> , for Macao.
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Departures.

Oct. 4.

Haiching, for Swatow.
Amoy Maru, for Swatow.
Luzon, for New Castle.

Oct. 5.

Cressy, H.M.S. cruiser, for Practice.
Procto, for Newchwang.
Arctide Maru, for Kobe.
Laertes, for Swatow.
Holstein, for Saigon.
Langsang, for Shanghai.
Tyr, for Hongay.
Ernest Simons, for Shanghai, &c.

Passengers arrived.

Per Hong Moh, from Singapore—828 Chinese.

Per Laisang, from Singapore—Mr. Gellybrand, Dr. Jacobs, Messrs. Richie, Bishop, Chinese and 1 Japanese.

Per Haiching, from Coast Ports—Messrs. J. W. Jameson, Dr. Cruz, Miss Dan Cruz, 2 Europeans, a d. 73 Chinese.

Per Yuen-sang, from Manila—Messrs. J. L. Candown, W. S. Lambert, John A. Traw, A. Downing, Cris. J. Leiss, E. J. McKinnon, and Mrs. H. B. Darnell and amah, Messrs. Swan Olsen, J. W. McIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hager, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Cook and child, Messrs. Wade Perkins, Clyde Arnold, L. Hayman, C. Moulle, Tan Chow Tin, Te Sue, F. G. Van Acoie, 15 Chinese, and 1 Japanese amah.

Per Kasuga Maru, from Manila for Hongkong—Mr. and Mrs. Spicer, Mrs. Goodchild, Mr. and Mrs. Hochkeimer, Misses L. and E. Hochkeimer, Messrs. Henry Ryley, S. G. Newall, N. S. Paley, and Y. Ito. For Kobe—Mrs. T. Fujimoto. For Yokohama—Mr. R. H. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wood and child, Misses Bishop, L. Wood and nurse, Messrs. C. Stanton, S. R. Brown, R. Carwine, Dr. and Mrs. H. Division.

Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Yawata Maru	Japan	N. Y. K.	Oct. 6
Monmouthshire	Singapore	S. T. & Co.	Oct. 6
Gaelic	Japan	P. M. Co.	Oct. 8
Taitan	Singapore	P. O. Co.	Oct. 9
P. Darwin	Japan	P. O. Co.	Oct. 12
Athenian	Japan	C. P. R. Co.	Oct. 12
Seydlitz	Japan	M. & Co.	Oct. 13
Preussen	Singapore	M. & Co.	Oct. 14
Clavering	Japan	C. C. Co.	Oct. 14

Shipping Reports.

Str. Yuen-sang from Manila.—Strong N.E. wind, and sea.

Str. Haiching from Coast Ports.—Moderate N.E. wind, and fine weather.

Str. Abessinia from Shanghai.—Fine clear weather, with partly strong trade.

Str. Yikang from Hongay.—Moderate to fresh Ely winds, and cloudy weather.

Str. Wuhu from Chingwangtau.—Clear fine weather throughout, fresh N.E. monsoon.

Str. Siam from Shanghai.—Strong N.E.ly winds first part of passage, then light wind, and fine weather to port.

Str. Laisang from Singapore.—Fresh to strong S.W. winds to the Paracels, then strong N.E. monsoon, with rough sea to port.

Str. Hong Moh from Singapore.—There to Paracels strong S.W. monsoon, with correspond-
ing sea, from thence to port fresh N.E. gale, high sea.

Vessels in Port.

Arratoon Apar, Br. s.s., 2,931, Fey, 28th Sept.—
Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 22nd
Sept., Gen.—D. S. & Co., Ltd.

Bangkok, Ger. s.s., 1,237, Busche, 6th Sept.—
Bangkok 30th Aug., Rice—Order.

China, Ger. s.s., 1,113, Krübe, 17th Sept.—
Manila 13th Sept., Gen.—E. A. T. Co.

Chingtu, Br. s.s., 1,459, Howie, 30 h Sept.—
Kobe via Moji 25th Sept., Gen.—B. & S.

Chowtai, Ger. s.s., 1,115, Textor, 29th Sept.—
Bangkok 21st Sept., Rice and Wood.—B.
& S.

Daijin Maru, Jap. s.s., 904, Ogata, 3rd Oct.—
Tamsui via Amoy and Swatow 2nd Oct.,
Gen.—O. S. K.

Elisabeth Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 997, Nebinger,
2nd Oct.—Hoihow 1st Oct., Rice, &c.—A.
K. & Co.

Emina Luyken, Ger. s.s., 2,000, Martens, 6th
Sept.—Saigon 2nd Sept., Rice.—E. A. T.
Co.

Empress of China, Br. s.s., 3,046, Archibald,
R.N.R., 29th Sept.—Vancouver, B.C. 7th
Sept., and Shanghai 26th, Mails and Gen.—
C. P. R. Co.

Germania, German s.s., 1,714, Bruhn, 27th
Sept.—Moji 21st Sept., Coals.—J. & Co.

Glenarret, Br. s.s., 4,428, Webster, 30th Sept.—
Singapore 22nd Sept., Gen.—MacG. B.
& Co.

Hans, Ger. s.s., 1,202, Weidlich, 30th Sept.—
Saigon 25th Sept., Gen.—S. W. & Co.

Kaga Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,907, Anderson, 22nd
Sept.—Shanghai 19th Sept., Gen.—N. Y.
K.

Kong Beng, Ger. s.s., 862, Ziegenhein, 19th
Sept.—Bangkok 10th Sept., Rice and
Timber.—B. & S.

Korea, Am. s.s., 5,651, Seabury, 1st Oct.—
San Francisco 3rd Sept., Yokohama 22nd,
Kobe 23rd and Shanghai 29th, Mails and
Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Lothian, Br. s.s., 3,223, Williamson, 23rd Sept.—
Moji 18th Sept., Coal.—C. C. Co.

Macchaon Br. s.s., 4,276, Long, 3rd Oct.—Moji
29th Sept., Gen.—B. & S.

Maria Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 1,017, Bandelin, 26th
Sept.—Bangkok 18th Sept., and Swatow
25th, Gen.—A. K. & Co.

Marie Jensen, Ger. s.s., 1,771, Bendixen, 1st
Sept.—Samarang 19th Sept., Sugar.—J. &
Co.

Mausang, Br. s.s., 1,644, Welsh, 1st Oct.—
Sandakan 26th Sept., Timber and Gen.—
J. M. & Co.

Oakley, Br. s.s., 2,456, Wilson, 16th Sept.—
Moji 10th Sept., Coals.—B. & S.

Onsang, Br. s.s., 1,787, Davies, 3rd Oct.—
Sourabaya 16th Sept., and Chirobon 23rd,
Sugar.—J. M. & Co.

Oscar, Norw. s.s., 2,000, Olsen, 3rd Sept.—Moji
27th Aug., Coal.—M. B. K.

Pekin, Br. s.s., 2,522, Longden, 2nd Oct.—
Moji 27th Sept., Coal—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Pitsanulok, Ger. s.s., 1,267, Fuchs, 29th Sept.—
Bangkok 22nd Sept., Rice and Timber.
—B. & S.

Prima, Nor. s.s., Meyer, 18th Sept.—Moji 4th
Sept., and Amoy 16th, Ballast.—S. W. &
Co.

Savio, Ger. s.s., 1,622, Deinat, 27th Sept.—
Mororan 18th Sept., Coal.—H. A. L.

Shantung, Ger. s.s., 1,004, Engellhart, 21st Sept.—
Shanghai 16th Sept., Ballast.—Mr. Geo.
McBain.

Sungkiang, Br. s.s., 1,021, Outerbridge, 3rd
Oct.—Manila 30th Sept., Hemp.—B. & S.

Tartar, Br. s.s., 2,768, Beetham, 19th Sept.—
Vancouver 24th Aug., and Shanghai 16th
Sept., Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Tetartus, Ger. s.s., 1,578, Desler, 23rd Sept.—
Samarang 12th Sept., Sugar.—S. C. Co.

Themis, Norw. s.s., 1,209, Thammassan, 28th
Sept.—Hoihow 23rd Sept., Ballast.—C. &
Co.

Victoria, Am. s.s., 2,112, Truebridge, 1st Oct.—
Tacoma 6th Sept., Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.

SAILING VESSELS.

Forthbank, Br. b.q., 1,322, Young, 27th Aug.—
Cebu 23rd June, Ballast.—D. & Co., Ltd.

Helena Wyman, Am. b.q., 1,511, Vanhook, 10th
Aug.—Singapore 1st Aug.—Ballast—
Master.

Ivy, Aust. b.q., 1,205, Stetson, 1st Sept.—Fre-
mantle 29th July, Kerosene Oil.—J. M. &
Co.

Roanoke, Am. b.q., 3,347, Amstrong, 7th Sept.—
Shanghai 4th Sept., Gen.—A. K. & Co.

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.

Mercedes	at Kowloon Dock
Bangkok	" "
Pembrokehire	" "
Nanyang	Cosmopolitan
Emma Luyken	" "
Chowtai	" "
Germania	" "
Mario Jensen	Aberdeen

Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—1st September—*Nippon, Lerche,
Glenloch, Hermann, 5th September—Sophie,
Rickmers, Hermiston, Kaitow, Calchas, 8th
September—Monmouthshire, 12th September—
Sado Maru, Maita, Lydia, Tanalus, Ren-
ford, 16th September—Kennedy, Heath-
ford, 18th September—Pruan, Polyphenus,
Alhanga, Marburg, Sikh, Glenroy, 23rd Sep-
tember—St. Bede, Preussen, 25th September—
Yarra, Antenor, Palawan, Kawachi Maru
Strasbourg, 3rd October—Hyson.*

Homeward—23rd September—*Bentley, 30th
September—Suevia, Kiautschou, Indrawadi,
Bodania, 3rd October—Salasia, Sigismund.
Arrivals at Home—1st September—Bealo-
mond, Princesse Marie, Tamba Maru, 5th
September—Arara, Fibergheim, Manchuria,
8th September—Hamburg, Prinz Heinrich,
Glenes, 12th September—Glenagarry, Crylon,
Nureberg, Pronchov, 16th September—
Steuter, 18th September—Triste, Sanuki
Maru, 23rd September—Mudafu, 25th Sep-
tember—Japan, Wursburg, Caledonien, 30th
September—Tydeus, Hakata Maru, Sachsen
Orestes.*

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:

Swatow and Bangkok—Per Pitsanulok, 6th
inst., 9 A.M.

Canton—Per Fatsan, 6th inst., 9.30 A.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Taurin—Per
Annam, 6th inst., 11 A.M.

Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui—Per Daijin
Maru, 6th inst., 11 A.M.

Singapore, Colombo and Bombay—Per
Hiroshima Maru, 6th inst., 11 A.M.

Macao—Per Heungshan, 6th inst., 1.15 P.M.

Amoy and Manila—Per Yuen-sang, 6th inst.,
2 P.M.

Singapore, Sourabaya and Samarang—Per
Fausling, 6th inst., 2 P.M.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per
Arratoon Apar, 6th inst., 2 P.M.

Tientsin—Per Wosong, 6th inst., 2 P.M.

Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria
and Seattle—Per Kaga Maru, 6th inst., 3 P.M.

Shanghai—Per Chiyuen, 6th inst., 4 P.M.

Namtao—Per Tachibana, 6th inst., 5 P.M.

Sanbu—Per Hoi Fu, 6th inst., 5 P.M.

Macao—Per Wingchi, 6th inst., 5 P.M.

Canton—Per Powan, 6th inst., 5 P.M.

Saigon—Per Holstein, 6th inst., 5 P.M.

Amoy—Per Hongkong, 6th inst., 5 P.M.

Swatow, Amoy and Fochow—Per Haiching,
6th inst., 5 P.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama,
Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Tartar,
7th inst., 11 A.M.

Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama—Per Kasuga
Maru, 7th inst., 11 A.M.

Macao—Per Heungshan, 7th inst., 1.15 P.M.

Manila—Per Sungking, 7th inst., 3 P.M.

Kumchuk and Samsui—Per Tungkong,
7th inst., 3 P.M.

Shanghai—Per Tungshing, 7th inst., 3 P.M.

Namtao—Per Tachibana, 7th inst., 5 P.M.

Sanbu—Per Hoi Fu, 7th inst., 5 P.M.

Macao—Per Wingchi, 7th inst., 5 P.M.

Canton—Per Kinsang, 7th inst., 5 P.M.

Bangkok—Per Chowtai, 8th inst., 11 A.M.

Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok—Per
Chowfa, 9th inst., 8 A.M.

Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Manzanillo and San
Francisco—Per Lothian, 9th inst., 11 A.M.

Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Bris-
bane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per Yawata
Maru, 9th inst., 3 P.M.

Manila—Per Zuffro, 10th inst., 9 A.M.

Manila—Per Rosetta Maru, 10th inst., 10 A.M.

Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria
(B.C.), and Tacoma—Per Victoria, 10th inst.,
11 A.M.

Shanghai, Chemulpo, Dalny and Port Arthur
—Per Sullberg, 10th inst., 5 P.M.

Straits and Bombay—Per Capri, 12th inst.,
11 A.M.

Hoihow—Per Wuchung, 12th inst., 3 P.M.

Europe, &c., India, via Taurin—Per
Seydlitz, 14th inst., 11 A.M.

Manila—Per Ru, 17th inst., 9 A.M.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama,
Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Empress of
China, 21st inst., 11 A.M.

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THE SHARE MARKET.

STOCKS.	PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.			
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	\$ 125	Div. of £1.10/- @ 1/8 = \$18 for half year ending 30.6.1903	\$635 s.
National Bank of China, Ltd.	\$ 8	3/11 = \$1.904 for 1902	\$284 b.
Do. Founders	\$ 2	one	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Union In. Society of C'lon, Ltd.	\$ 100	60 per cent = \$30 per share for 1901	\$520
China Traders' In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	16 % = \$1 for year ended 30.6.1902	\$614
North China In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	Interim of £1 for 1902	Tls. 225 s.
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.	\$ 60	20 % = \$12 for 1901	\$135 s.
Canton In. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	28 % = \$14 per share for 1901	\$187 1/2 sa. & b.
FIRE INSURANCES.			
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$22 1/2 per share for 1901	\$325 sa. & s.
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$5 per share for 1901	\$80 b.
SHIPPING.			
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	\$ 15	\$1 1/2 for half-year ending 30.6.1903	\$324 s.
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	5 % = 10/- per share for 1902	\$18
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	10 % = \$5 per share for 1900	\$18
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Div. of \$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$32 s.
"Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$1.20 = 12% for year ending 30.6.1903	\$27
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	60 cts. 30.4.03	\$164
Ross, S. B. C.	\$ 1	3rd Interim of 6d. for 1902	£1 b.
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Interim of 2 % for 1903	Tls. 38 b.
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Interim of 4 % = Tls. 2.00	Tls. 38
Do. Preference	Tls. 50	Interim of 3 1/2 % = Tls. 1.75	Tls. 504
REFINERIES.			
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Fin. of \$7 making \$12 for 1901	\$98
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$3 per share for 1897	\$10
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Fin. of 7 % for year ending 30.6.02	Tls. 60
MINING.			
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 11	None	\$14
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fr. 250	Fin. of Frs. 30 making Frs. 60 for 1902	\$600 s.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 18.10	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01	\$84 s.
Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 1	No. 1 of 1/6 per share 10.10.02	Tls. 6.50 sa.
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.			
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	12 % = \$6 for 1 year 30.6.03	\$206 s.
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Final of Tls. 8 making Tls. 15 for year ending 30.4.03	Tls. 136 sa.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1903	\$87 b.
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 60	\$2 1/2 for 1902	\$374
Shanghai & Hongkong Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1903	Tls. 212 b.
LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.			
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	8 % = 80 cts per share for 1902	\$94
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Interim of \$6 for 1903	\$153 s.
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	\$1.30 per share for 1902	\$35 s.
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	Interim of \$1 1/2 for 1903	\$50 sa.
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$6 for first 1-year 1903	\$147 b.
Oriente Hotel Co., Ltd. (Manila)	\$ 50	8 % = \$4 for 1 year ending 31.12.1900	\$58
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	\$ 25	2 1/2 % for year ending 30.6.03	\$28 1/2 sa.
Hotel des Colonies Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	Tls. 25	6 % for year ending 31.3.03	Tls. 15 sa.
Queen's Hotel (Wei-hai-wei)	Tls. 25	First year	Tls. 25
Aumureys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	9 per cent. for 1902	\$104 b.
Shai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Interim of 6 % for 1903	Tls. 105 b.
COTTON MILLS.			
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	{ Final of 60 cts, making \$1 for 1922/1903	\$14 1/2 b.
S'wo, Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	3 % for period ended 31.10.97	Tls. 30 sa.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898	Tls. 40 s.
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898	Tls. 35 sa.
Booy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 500	4 % for period ended 31.12.00	Tls. 203
CIGAR AND TOBACCO COMPANIES.			
Alhambra, Ltd.	\$ 500	25 % for year ending 30.6.1900	\$250 b.
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	None	\$15 b.
Shanghai - Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.	Tls. 20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share	Tls. 52 s.
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	12 % = \$1.20 per share for 1902	\$22 1/2 b.
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$ 12	First year	\$93 s.
S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Interim of 5 % for 1902	\$14 1/2 b.
Falkins, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 per share for 1902	\$8 b.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$12 1/2
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$7
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1901	\$140 b.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$10 for 1902	\$145
Co. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	15 per cent = \$3.75 for 1902	\$47 1/2
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	Interim of \$1 for 1903	\$250 s.
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$18 for year ending 31.11.1902	\$320 s.
Muiry Farm Co., Ltd.	\$ 6	75 cents for year ending 31.7.1901	\$12 b.
Hongkong & China Bakery Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	5 per cent = \$2 1/2 for 1901	\$40
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Div. of \$2 1/2 for 1902	\$40 s.
Ellis's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	£ 12.6	\$5 1/2 s.
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 4	90 cents } for year ending 31.5.03	\$9 b.
Do. Founders	\$ 10	\$29.70 }	\$200 b.
Hongkong Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Interim of 6 %	\$17 1/2
Light & Power Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	None	\$5 b.
Union Piano Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	5 % = \$2 1/2 for half-year 1901	\$50
Union Investment Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	None	\$15 1/2
William Powell, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$8 1/2
Ausschmittot Mijn, Bosel en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat, Limited	Guilders 100	4th Interim Dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 paid 15.9.1903	Tls. 72 1/2 sa.
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